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Transmitted herewith are the following documents for the above-identified application:

- [X] Information Disclosure Statement (3 pgs.);
- [X] PTO/SB/08 (2 pgs.);
- [X] Two References;
- [X] Copy of an International Search Report (3 pages); and
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Submitted herewith on Form PTO/SB/08 is a listing of documents known to Applicant in order to comply with Applicant's duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56.

A copy of each non-U.S. patent document and each non-patent document is being submitted to comply with the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.97 and § 1.98.

The submission of any document herewith, which is not a statutory bar, is not intended as an admission that such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application or that such document is considered material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR §1.56(b). Applicant does not waive any rights to take any action which would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove as a competent reference any document which is determined to be a *prima facie* art reference against the claims of the present application.

TIMING OF THE DISCLOSURE

The listed documents are being submitted in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97(b), before the mailing of a first Office action on the merits.

RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

All the cited documents are in English except for International application WO 00/71198, which was first cited in an International Search Report. A copy of the International Search Report is attached setting forth the portion of the document considered relevant by the examiner. An English-language counterpart of the foreign-language document WO 00/71198 has not been provided. The absence of a translation or an English-language counterpart document does not relieve the PTO from its duty to consider any submitted document (37 CFR §1.98 and MPEP§609). Additionally, US Patent 6,595,969, also cited in the attached PTO/SB/08, corresponds to WO 00/71198.

Applicant respectfully requests that each listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

Applicant also brings to the Office's attention the following application that is a parent of the present application: U.S. Patent Application Serial No.: 10/460,682, filed June 13, 2004, now abandoned.

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